

## THE COMING STATE MEETING.

To the Editor of THE ADVOCATE:

Now that the various reform organizations have agreed upon a state meeting, it behooves those who are interested to use their efforts to make this the largest and most successful commercial convention ever held in Kansas. We must acknowledge that the day of individual effort is rapidly drawing to a close, and the time is near at hand when great commercial enterprises must be carried on by united efforts along the line of co-operation. Already the railroads, steamboat lines, telegraph lines, mining and manufacturing corporations and hundreds of other gigantic enterprises have passed beyond the control of individual effort. The smaller enterprises are being rapidly centralized into a few large companies, and when such power falls into the hands of a few unscrupulous persons whose position is not dependent upon the people they become instruments of oppression equal to that of the monarchies where the ruler is absolute dictator and not responsible to his subjects, who have no power but to obey. It is only a question of time when we must control these numerous corporations or they will control the people, and by education and perseverance on the part of the people they can in a short time control the business and commercial enterprises as well as the politics of the country. Sometimes we think that we are called upon to spend too much time and money by holding too many meetings, but when we look over the work of the past year and find the great amount of money that has been saved we must admit that we have received a far greater benefit from money thus expended than from any other investment. It is not merely the reduction in the price of what we buy that should be looked to, but there is another question to consider; that is, whether the laborer who made the machine, or whatever it may be, was justly rewarded for his work. Formerly we paid \$160 for a binder; now we get them for \$125. Now if the price of labor has been reduced by the reduction and the manufacturers and dealers continue to make the same profits by selling at \$125 that they made when they sold the machines for \$160, then we as farmers and laborers have gained nothing by the fall in price, but have rather met with a loss. The laborer consumes the produce of the farmer; the ten million active laborers of the United States furnish the home market of the farmers, manufacturers, miners, etc., and if their wages be good and all are employed they will be able to buy largely of the farmers produce and pay large prices, but when their wages are cut down and they are thrown out of employment they have no money and cannot be purchasers of our produce; but the higher the wages of the laborers the better will be the price of our produce, and although we must pay more for what we buy we can well afford to do this, as we are getting a much better price for what we sell, and the surplus, after our living expenses are paid, will go much farther towards paying debts, interest and taxes. To illustrate, if we have 200 bushels wheat and sell it for \$2 per bushel, we can pay \$300 for a binder and have left \$300 to pay taxes and interest; but if we sell the wheat for \$1 per bushel, and pay \$100 for a binder, we can pay only \$100 of debt and interest with the balance. Further, if twenty men have been manufacturing the binders, etc., and receive each \$3 per day at the end of twenty days they can buy the 200 bushels of wheat at \$2 per bushel, but if they have received but \$1 per day they could not pay but \$1 per bushel for our wheat, so we see that the interest of the farmers and laborers are the same, and there is no reason why the members of the Knights of Labor and Citizens' Alliances cannot co-operate with the farmers in all business enterprises. Many old partyites continue to howl that the farmers' interests are exactly opposite to those of the laboring men in the cities, to keep us from co-operating, but the day is dawning, and we will see in the clear sunlight of education, the necessity of working hand in hand in every industrial enterprise. Let all classes be fully represented at the meeting in Topeka August 20, and assist in discussing these great economic questions.

FRANK L. BAILLET.

**Marriage of Congressman Davis' Daughter.**  
WHITTEMORE-DAVIS—At the "Riverside" residence of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Davis, Junction City, at 10 o'clock a. m., Thursday, July 14, 1891, by Rev. L. C. Schnoke, of Paola, assisted by Rev. A. Barnes, of this city, Prof. Luther D. Whittemore, A. M., of Topeka, Kan., and Miss Frances Dean Davis.

The bride is the daughter of Congressman John Davis of the Fifth district. Mr. Whittemore is professor of Latin language in Washburn College. They will reside in this city. THE ADVOCATE extends best wishes.

## Notice.

We again notify all delegates to the People's party convention of Shawnee county, to be held August 3, 1891, at the court house of said county, at 10 o'clock a. m., that immediately upon their election they are each authorized and appointed a committee to start a subscription to the campaign fund, and that each delegate is requested to raise at least \$5 for said fund and forward same promptly to the secretary of the committee.

It is also desired that the delegates and alternates chosen to said convention immediately forward their credentials, or a copy of the same, to the secretary.

It is important, also, that delegates should not forget or neglect to attend the conference meeting of delegates and central committeemen on August 1, 1891, at 1 o'clock p. m., at Trades Assembly hall, 618 Kansas avenue, Topeka.

W. H. BENNINGTON,  
Secretary.

Central National Bank Building.

Second Annual Meeting of the Leavenworth County Alliance.

Considering the busy season, the attendance was large. The morning session was devoted to preliminary work.

Many questions were deferred until next meeting. The officers-elect are: A. D. Gould, president; D. Dresbach, vice president; O. W. Bissett, of Jarbalo, secretary; J. Lea Simpson, lecturer; E. B. Keck, assistant lecturer; M. W. Hadley, chaplin; A. P. Eggleston, treasurer; John Hayden, sergeant-at-arms; George Southwell, doorkeeper; Duke Allison, assistant doorkeeper; A. M. Thistlethwaite, J. C. Buckingham and James Pickins, judiciary committee; W. A. Harris and J. Blakesley, delegates to state Alliance. The following resolution passed:

Resolved, That we do hereby offer our thanks to the late president, J. Bleakley, for the fair and impartial manner in which he has discharged the arduous duties incumbent on that office.

The next meeting will be at Fairmount, Saturday, August 15, when the officers-elect will be installed.

J. LEA SIMPSON, County Sec'y.

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The Lake Shore & Michigan Southern has put on a new train, leaving Chicago daily at 10:30 a. m., and the Fort Wayne (Pennsylvania lines) one at 10:45 a. m.

These are daily trains, scheduled on fast time, and arrive at New York city next afternoon at 2 o'clock, and via the first mentioned Boston passengers reach their destination two hours later.

The fast vestibuled express from Denver, Colorado Springs and Pueblo, via both Kansas City and St. Joseph, arrives at Chicago at 9:50 a. m., daily, and the vestibuled express from Omaha and the Iowa main line arrives at Chicago at 8:05 a. m., daily. John Sebastian, General Ticket and Passenger Agent; E. St. John, General Manager.

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# W. W. CURDY,

419-421 Kansas Avenue,

Topoka, Kansas.

## Annual School Meeting.

The annual school meeting will be held Thursday, July 30, at 2 o'clock p. m. The voters in Shawnee county, male and female, are to vote on the question of county uniformity of text books. About thirty counties in the state have adopted uniformity, and the superintendents of these counties are nearly unanimous in their endorsement of the plan. They report the saving of from 15 to 40 per cent. in the price of books. I trust that every man and woman in Shawnee county will attend the annual school meeting and settle this question one way or the other.

JOSIAH JORDAN,  
County Superintendent.

Persons wishing employment should address us for circular containing valuable information.

ADVOCATE Publishing Company.

Persons against whom mortgage foreclosure has been instituted should write to W. F. Rightmire, Topeka, Kan., if they wish to save their homes.

About two hundred administration politicians of Texas, led by U. S. Hall, the traitor leader of Missouri, met at Fort Worth last week and formed an anti-sub-treasury crowd of their own. The whole thing in a nutshell is, the southern politician is threatened with loss of a job, just as the same crowd in Kansas and Nebraska realize. Democratic Alliance men sounds about equal to "loyal" Union men so long as they train with the Republican gang, north. The Alliance and sub-treasury has got the south and the politicians may just as well save their good money. Hall of Missouri, and McAllister of Mississippi, have as much use for the Alliance if they can't run it, as Republican leaders have for soldier voters who do their own thinking.—Nonconformist.



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## Alliance Insurance Co.

OF KANSAS.

QUARTERLY STATEMENT, 2ND QUARTER 1891.

Received during quarter 265 applications.....\$187,565.00  
Hall insurance, 1,076 applications, 62,000 acres.....\$3,000.00  
Notes on hand, hall dept.....\$16,000.00  
Notes on hand, property dept.....15,900.00

Total.....\$31,000.00  
Cash in bank June 25, 1891.....\$3,000.00  
Losses paid during quarter, 5; total number of losses paid, 22. Liabilities none. All debts paid. Respectfully submitted.

FRED. JACKSON, Secretary.  
McPherson, Kansas.

## FACTS FOR FARMERS.

No Cure No Pay.



How many farmers, when they are offered a remedy for hog cholera, will say, "Oh, I have tried a dozen or more medicines and none of them did any good and I don't believe it can be cured. Just let them die is the best." Now if your horse or cow were sick would you say that, or would you try to cure it? You would get the best medicine to be found, and nurse it, giving it your whole attention. Why not treat your hogs the same way? Wm. Hall's Hog and Poultry Cholera Cure is the best remedy on earth for hogs and poultry, and when used according to directions and mixed with a little care and common sense is guaranteed to give satisfaction or money will be refunded. It is the cheapest because it is a large bottle and small dose. Ask your druggist for it, or send direct to factory. Price, \$1 per bottle; six bottles for \$5.  
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